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engagement of the loops and the hooks.

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85. The method of claim 84, wherein the second anchor sheet has a topside substantially covered in hooks of a hook and loop attachment system, and each of the decorative coverings has an underside substantially covered in loops of the hook and loop attachment system, and the second anchor sheet and the decorative coverings are attached to each other by the attachment system.
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REMARKS

Claims 56 to 85 are now pending in the application.

No new matter has been added by the amendments being submitted today, the nature of which amendments is described further below.

Continuing data claimed for this application have been amended.

All claims are now directed to a method of installing a floor covering.

Support for the new claims can be found throughout the application, and more particularly as follows:

Claim	Support
56	Figure 1; page 12, lines 2 to 3 of fourth paragraph; page 16, lines 8 to 9 of first paragraph.
57	Page 3 lines 1 to 3 of first paragraph of the Summary of the Invention; page 13 first line of second paragraph.
58	Sentence bridging pages 12 and 13.
59	Sentence bridging pages 12 and 13 <i>et seq.</i>
60	Figures 1, 4, 8, 10, 13 and 13a.
61	Page 18, first sentence.

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Claim	Support
62	Page 1, lines 2 to 4 of second paragraph.
63	Figures 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9.
64	Page 3, first sentence of last paragraph.
65	Page 5, lines 5 to 6 of last paragraph.
66	Sentence bridging pages 16 and 17.
67	Page 14, first line of third paragraph.
68	Page 8, first sentence of last paragraph.
69	Figures 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.
70	Figures 11 and 12; pages 18 penultimate paragraph.
71	Page 19, line 5.
72	Page 19, lines 8 to 11.
73	Page 26, line 6 of second paragraph.
74	Figure 14; page 23, lines 2 to 4 of second paragraph.
75	Page 15, lines 3 to 4.
76	Page 6, lines 10 to 12 of third paragraph.
77	Page 5, second paragraph.
78	Page 8, lines 4 to 6; page 23, line 7; page 14, lines 5 to 13 of third paragraph; and page 14, last sentence of third paragraph.
79	Page 18, first sentence.
80	Page 5, lines 5 to 6 of last paragraph.
81	Page 15, lines 3 to 4.
82	Sentence bridging pages 16 and 17; page 14, first line of third paragraph.
83	Page 5, third paragraph; Figure 14; and page 23, lines 2 to 4 of second paragraph.
84	Figures 29B and 31.
85	Figure 29.

Applicant notes that the outstanding Action included a notice entitled "Information on how to effect drawing changes", but that the Attachments section of the Action did not

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indicate a Draftsperson's review to be enclosed, i.e., box (2) in the Attachments section was not checked.

Applicant thus believes the application is in condition for action on the merits, and respectfully requests same.

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**SPECIFICATION - Version with markings to show
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This is a continuation [continuation-in-part] of Application number 09/008,565 filed January 16, 1998, issued as United States Patent No. 6,298,624 on October 9, 2001, and which earlier application is [itself] a continuation-in-part of Application number 08/850,726 filed May 2, 1997, issued as United States Patent No. 6,306,477 on October 23, 2001, which earlier application is a continuation-in-part application of Application number 08/684,004 filed July 19, 1996, now abandoned [and Application number 08/850,726 filed May 2, 1997].